Corner Stone Masonic Temple

GRAND LODGE A. F. AND A. M.
OF NORTH CAROLINA

Wednesday, October 16, 1907 :: A. L. 5907

RALEIGH, N. C.

Grand Lodge Session at 11 o'clock at
Metropolitan Hall

Officers of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of North Carolina. 5907

Francis D. Winston.....*Grand Master*
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F. N. Skinner.....*Grand Chaplain*
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Col. Alfred Williams. Lieut. R. L. Leinster.
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Program

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Music

"The North Carolina Guard March," . . . . . (Hall)

INVOCATION—Rev. Frederick Nash Skinner, Grand Chaplain.

Hymn

"Laying of a Corner Stone." . . . . . (By Choir)

"O Lord of hosts, whose glory fills
The bounds of the eternal hills,
And yet vouchsafes, in Christian lands,
To dwell in temples made with hands,

Grant that all we who here to-day
Rejoicing this foundation lay,
May be in very deed thine own,
Built on the precious corner-stone.

Endue the creatures with thy grace,
That shall adorn thy dwelling-place;
The beauty of the oak and pine,
The gold and silver, make them mine.

To thee they all belong, to thee
The treasures of the earth and sea;
And when we bring them to thy throne,
We but present thee with thine own."

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PRAYER—Rev. Frederick Nash Skinner, . . Grand Chaplain

"Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy name thou wilt grant their requests, fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*"

Response.—"So mote it be."

Music

"Selections from Prince of Pilsen," . . . . . (Lueders)

ADDRESS—Hon. W. R. Cox, ... P. G. M.

Music

"Patrol the Crack Regiment." . . . . . (Tobania)

Placing of Coins and Medals

The Grand Treasurer, by the Grand Master's command places under the stone various sorts of coins and medals, Masonic and historical documents.

Music

"The Glory of God." . . . . . (Beethoven)

The principal Architect then presents the working tools to the Grand Master, who hands the Square to the Deputy Grand Master, the Level to the Senior Grand Warden, and the Plumb to the Junior Grand Warden; when the Grand Master addresses the Grand Officers as follows:

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Grand Master. R. W. Deputy Grand Master: What is the proper jewel of your office?

Deputy Grand Master. The Square.

G. M. What are its moral and Masonic uses?

D. G. M. To square our actions by the Square of Virtue, and prove our work.

G. M. Apply the implement of your office to that portion of the foundation-stone that needs to be proved, and make report.

The Deputy applies the Square to the stone, and says:

D. G. M. Most Worshipful: I find the stone to be square. The Craftsmen have performed their duty.

G. M. R. W. Senior Grand Warden: What is the proper jewel of your office?

Senior Grand Warden. The level.

G. M. What is its Masonic use?

S. G. W. Morally, it reminds us of equality, and its use is to lay horizontals.

G. M. Apply the implement of your office to the foundation-stone, and make report.

This is done.

S. G. W. Most Worshipful: I find the stone to be level. The Craftsmen have performed their duty.

G. M. R. W. Junior Grand Warden: What is the proper jewel of your office?

Junior Grand Warden. The Plumb.

G. M. What is its Masonic use?

J. G. W. Morally, it teaches rectitude of conduct, and we use it to try perpendiculars.

G. M. Apply the implement of your office to the several edges of the foundation-stone, and make report.

This is complied with.

J. G. W. Most Worshipful: I find the stone is plumb. The Craftsmen have performed their duty.

G. M. This corner-stone has been tested by the proper implements of Masonry. I find that the Craftsmen have skilfully and faithfully performed their duty, and I do declare the stone to be well formed, true, and trusty, and correctly laid, according to the rules of our ancient Craft.

Let the elements of Consecration now be presented.

The Deputy Grand Master comes forward with the vessel of Corn; and, scattering it on the stone, says:

I scatter this corn as an emblem of plenty. May the blessings of bounteous Heaven be showered upon us and upon all like patriotic and benevolent undertakings, and inspire the hearts of the people with virtue, wisdom, and gratitude.

Response.—So mote it be.

The Senior Grand Warden then comes forward with the vessel of Wine, and pours it upon the stone, saying:

I pour this wine as an emblem of joy and gladness. May the Great Ruler of the Universe bless and prosper our national, State, and city governments, preserve the Union of the States, and may it be a bond of Friendship and Brotherly Love that shall endure through all time.

Response.—So mote it be.

The Junior Grand Warden then comes forward with the vessel of Oil, which he pours upon the stone, saying:

I pour this oil as an emblem of peace. May its blessings abide with us continually, and may the Grand Master of

Heaven and earth shelter and protect the widow and orphan, shield and defend them from trials and vicissitudes of the world, and so bestow his mercy upon the bereaved, the afflicted, and the sorrowing, that they may know sorrowing and trouble no more.

Response.—So mote it be.

The Grand Master, standing in front of all, and extending his hands, makes the following

May the all-bounteous Author of Nature bless the inhabitants of this place with an abundance of the necessaries, conveniences and comforts of life; assist in the erection and completion of this building; protect the workmen against every accident; long preserve the structure from decay; and grant to us all a supply of the CORN of *nourishment*, the WINE of *refreshment*, and the OIL of *joy*.—AMEN.

Response.—So mote it be.

The Grand Master strikes the stone three times with the gavel, and the public Grand Honors are given.

The Grand Master then delivers over to the Architect the implements of architecture, saying:

WORTHY SIR (OR BROTHER): Having thus, as Grand Master of Masons, laid the foundation-stone of this structure, I now deliver these implements of your profession into your hands, entrusting you with the superintendence and direction of the work, having full confidence in your skill and capacity to conduct the same.

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Anthem

L. M. Hebron.

CORN.

Where once of old, in Israel
  Our early brethren wrought with toil,
Jehovah's blessings on them fell,
  In showers of corn, and wine and oil.

WINE.

When there a shrine to him above
  They built, with worship sin to foil,
On threshold and on corner-stone
  They poured out corn, and wine and oil.

OIL.

And we have come, fraternal bands,
  With joy and pride and prosperous spoil
To honor him by votive hands
  With streams of corn, and wine and oil.

ADDRESS—Francis D. Winston, ... Grand Master

Music

"Stars and Stripes Forever," . . . . . (Sousa)

BENEDICTION—Rev. Frederick Nash Skinner, Grand Chaplain.

Music furnished by Third Regiment Band of Raleigh, N. C.

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"Every Mason should lend a helping hand in this glorious work."

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FRANCIS D. WINSTON, *G. M., Windsor, N. C.*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—I will send John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary, Raleigh, N. C., two dollars ($2) on or before October 1st, this year, and two dollars annually thereafter until I shall have paid in the full amount of ten dollars ($10) for the Masonic Temple. The income from the Temple is to be used to build and maintain a home for the aged and infirm Masons, and their widows and daughters, and other charitable purposes.

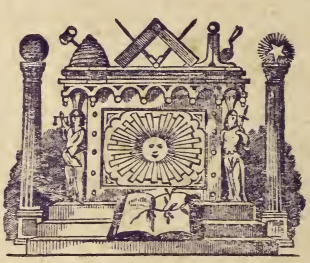
Signed.....

Lodge.....

Post-Office.....

If you have not already signed one of these cards see Brother John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary, and obtain a card, or write him at Raleigh, N. C., to mail you one.

This is a noble and glorious purpose and should appeal, not only to every Mason, but every charitable person.



The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina will convene in its one hundred and twenty-first annual communication at the Masonic Hall, in the city of Raleigh, on the second Tuesday (14th day) of January, 1908; A. L., 5908.

Every Mason in North Carolina is urged to attend.